

NSW Windsurfing Series

2007-08

Heat 2

Huskisson, Jervis Bay

20 – 21 October



Hot on the heels of the successful season opener at Hawkes Nest we headed south to Jervis Bay, the location with the whitest sand, most consistent wind and clearest water of the tour.

The forecast was extremely promising, with north easterly seas breezes forecast for both days of racing, expected to reach around 20 knots in the afternoons.

On our arrival to the beach the north easter had already made it's appearance and we knew we were in for a great day of racing. In total 35 entrants registered for the weekend, another great roll up.

Formula racing kicked off the proceedings with a quick 3 races back to back. Conditions appearing a little windier from the rigging area than on the water. Given we had 10 races over the event please refer to result score sheet for positions with following table highlighting the conditions and any memorable events from each race.

Race 1	Formula	10 – 12 knts
Sam Fawkes was subjected to gear tampering for the second time this season with down haul rope knot giving way mid race. Given Sam finished 4 th overall it appears obvious who the main suspect could be (hint 3 rd place).		
Race 2	Formula	12 – 14 knts
Good clean racing.		
Race 3	Formula	12 – 14 knts
Always avoid a collision.		
Race 4	Formula	15 – 18 knts
Sail change down for many following lunch due to increased breeze and rougher sea state. Conditions starting to get a little hairy but great fun.		

Race 5	Formula	18 – 20 knts
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It all started to get too much for some with only 16 finished from the 35 entrants, a long day on the water but one of the best.

After a testing day on the water in some of the finest conditions we have raced formula in, all parties retreated to accommodation quarters, spruced themselves up, and headed out for a feed and to celebrate Sam Fawkes's 21st Birthday and Brett's 39^{nth} at the Husky Pub.

Sunday, waking to a bright, sunny and warm morning with a bit of dew on the car's we all knew what was ahead of us, another solid day of racing in the forecast moderate to fresh north easterly breeze.

Straight into racing at around 11:00am with 2 formula races scheduled to get things moving.

Race 6	Formula	15 knts
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Most people opted from intermediate rigs with some selecting small in anticipation of a building breeze and another long day on the water.

Race 7	Formula	15 – 18 knts
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Race 8	Formula	15 - 18 knts
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Race 9	Formula	18 knts
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Always let Rick Murray beat you

Race 10	Formula	18 knts
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After completing 10 races over the 2 days of racing, this event is certain to go down in the history books as one of the best formula events on record.

Final results for the event are;

Formula	FE +
1. Sean O'Brien (7 wins)	1. John Pearce (10 wins)
2. Brett Morris (2 wins)	2. Mick Saunders
3. Mike Nelson (1 win)	3. Nerida Stores

Special thanks to Barry Fawkes for doing the long hours out on the start boat and for setting some great courses along with another thank you to John O'Brien for all his work done onshore.

Lets hope the exceptional condition encountered over the first 2 events continues for the remainder of the season.

Next event **Lake Macquarie, November 11 -12** where bull sharks, razor fish and killer weed come together to make this the toughest event of the circuit.